



National Brownfields Job Training Grants Available

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) began accepting proposals for the National Brownfields Job Training Grants on December 17, 2002. **Proposals are due on February 14, 2003.** This notice provides information on how to obtain the application guidelines. Funding for the brownfields job training grants is authorized under section 104(k)(6) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9604(k). These grants provide training to facilitate site assessment, remediation of brownfields sites, or site preparation. (See Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 66.811; a revised CFDA number entry has been submitted for approval). Eligibility for Brownfields job training grants is limited to "eligible entities" as defined in section 104(k)(1) of CERCLA and non profit organizations. The National brownfields job training grants will be awarded on a competitive basis using a one step proposal selection process. EPA expects to make up 10 Brownfields job training grant awards in fiscal year 2003, contingent upon the availability of funds. The maximum funding level for each grant will be \$200,000. Applicants are encouraged to contact and, if possible, meet with EPA Regional Brownfields Contacts.

All Proposals must be postmarked by USPS or delivered to U.S. EPA Headquarters no later than January 24, 2003, and a duplicate copy sent to the appropriate U.S. EPA Regional Office. The proposal guidelines are available via the Internet: <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/>. Copies of the Proposal Guidelines will also be mailed upon request. Requests should be made by calling the U.S. EPA Call Center at the following numbers: Washington, DC Metro Area at 703-412-9810 Outside Washington, DC Metro at 1-800-424-9346 TDD for the Hearing Impaired at 1-800-553-7672.

In order to ensure that the Guidelines are received in time to be used in the preparation of the proposal, applicants should request a copy as soon as possible and in any event no later than seven (7) working days before the proposal due date. Applicants who request copies after that date might not receive the proposal guidelines in time to prepare and submit a responsive proposal.

Mailing addresses for U.S. EPA Regional Offices and U.S. EPA Headquarters are provided in the Proposal Guidelines. For further information, contact the U.S. EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, Office of Brownfields Cleanup and Redevelopment, (202) 566-2777.